## Congress of the United States Washington, VC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Phillipsburg Police Building project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for the project is the Town of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, located at 120 Filmore Street, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865. The funding would be used for the construction of a new police building for the Town of Phillipsburg. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because The funding of a new police building for the Town of Phillipsburg, will enable Phillipsburg to provide a safe community for all residents and in turn support the economic growth and stability of the region. The Town of Phillipsburg was required by NJ's POSHA to stop use of the police building at 675 Corliss Avenue due to contamination from asbestos and mold that render the building inhabitable. Since the department was required to leave the building, the Police secured temporary facilities by renting a former school building within the Town.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Kean, Jr. Member of Congress